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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR  
THE SEPULVEDA BASIN SPORTS COMPLEX PROJECT (W.O. E170217B)**

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and Article 7 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended, the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering has prepared an Initial Study for the project described below. Under CEQA, the City identified no significant impacts and proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Department of Public Works proposes to construct a sports complex facility on an approximately 65 acre parcel of open space land at Balboa Boulevard and Victory Boulevard in the Sepulveda Flood Control Basin in the Encino-Tarzana Community Plan area (See map and aerial photograph on the following page.). The proposed project would include four youth/teen softball fields, one synthetic soccer field, open multi-purpose fields, picnic areas, a planted riparian buffer along the Los Angeles River, and a walking trail throughout the site. There would be a small support building (approximately 2,000 square feet) to house park staff and public restrooms. In addition, the proposed project would include a parking lot to accommodate approximately 400 parking spaces. The project would serve three main purposes: (1) to provide public active recreational amenities in an area that contains congested, intensively over-used facilities; (2) to provide public passive recreational amenities that would add open space to a region lacking these resources; and (3) to serve as a vital linkage in promoting restoration of the Los Angeles River corridor through riparian habitat provision, runoff filtration, enhanced public access to the River and protection of its ecology. This project is consistent with the 1981 Sepulveda Basin Master Plan governing land development in the area. The property is owned by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and has been leased to the City of Los Angeles under a long-term agreement for recreational development. The project would be operated and maintained by the Valley Region of the City's Department of Recreation and Parks.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Council District 12, 6300 N. Louise Avenue, Encino, CA 91316 (Assessor's Parcel No. 223-0023-900, also 17264 W. Victory Blvd.)

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** The proposed Sepulveda Basin Sports Complex Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration will be circulated for a 45-day public review period, beginning on June 23, 2006 and ending on August 7, 2006. Copies of the document are available for review at these public libraries:

Encino – Tarzana Branch Library  
18231 Ventura Boulevard  
Tarzana, CA 91356  
(818) 343-1983

Van Nuys Branch Library  
6250 Sylmar Avenue  
Van Nuys, CA 91401  
(818) 756-8453

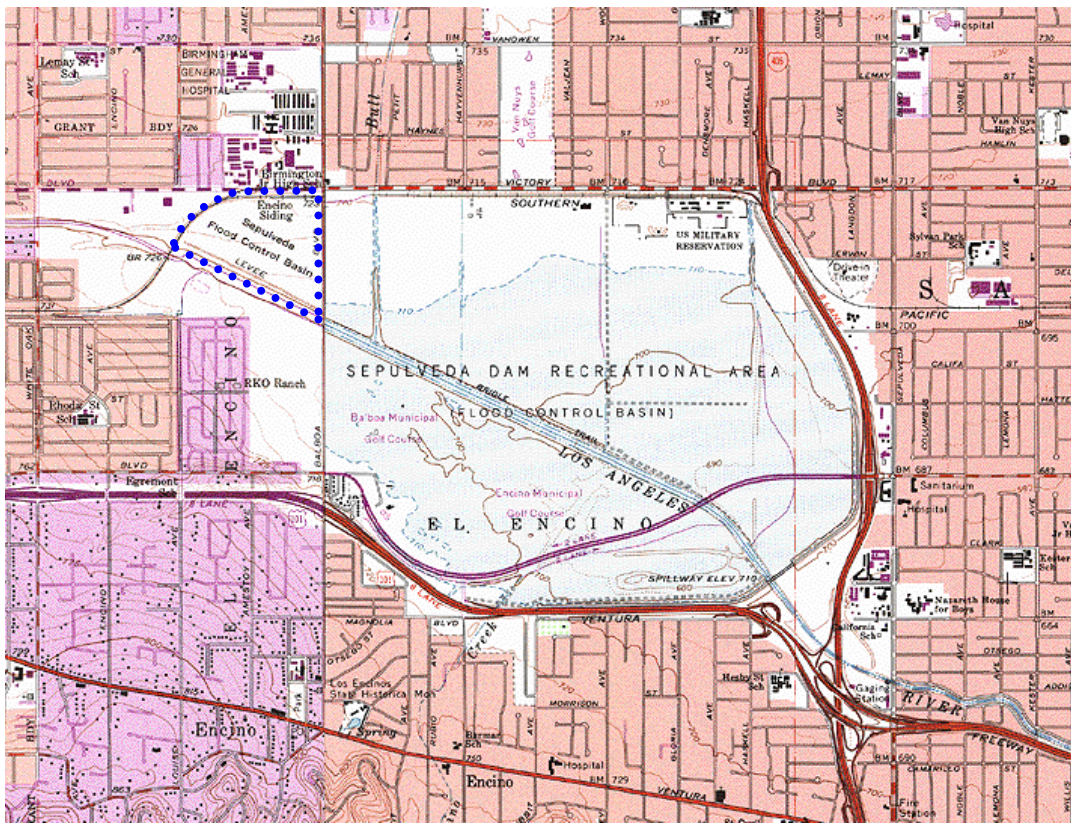
A copy of the document may also be obtained by calling Carol Armstrong of the Bureau of Engineering at (213) 485-5762, by visiting the office address listed below, or by viewing it on the Bureau of Engineering website, [http://eng.lacity.org/techdocs/emg/Environmental Review Documents.htm](http://eng.lacity.org/techdocs/emg/Environmental%20Review%20Documents.htm).

All comments must be submitted in writing no later than 3:00 p.m. on August 7, 2006, by mailing to:

Carol Armstrong  
City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works  
Bureau of Engineering  
1149 S. Broadway, Suite 600  
Los Angeles, CA 90015

Thank you for your interest.





The Sepulveda Dam Recreation Area spans the U.S. Geological Survey Canoga Park (1952; Photorevised 1967) and Van Nuys (1966; Photorevised 1972) 7.5-Minute Quadrangles. The site is located at 33 degrees 18'45" N and 116 degrees 43'11"W. Scale shown is 1:24,000. The proposed project area is shown with a dashed line. Balboa Boulevard is the border between the Van Nuys Quadrangle (to the east) and the Canoga Park Quadrangle (to the west, which includes the project area).



Source: NavigateLA, City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering, Fall 2000 (Project site indicated with dotted line.)